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News Release

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Durham Continuum of Care Providers Win HUD Funding

Nearly \$1.3 million Awarded to Local Projects Supporting Homeless People

DURHAM, N.C. – Durham projects serving the needs of people without homes have received nearly \$1.3 million in grant funding through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Continuum of Care (CoC) Program.

The City of Durham Community Development Department has been notified that HUD has awarded \$1,290,365 to 11 Durham projects. The competitively awarded grants will help fund permanent housing for homeless persons and families, short-term rental subsidies, and Durham's Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), which is a common database of the confidential records of Durham's homeless people. Included in the total also is a Durham CoC Planning Project grant of \$42,995 that is used by the Community Development Department to improve the ability to measure and evaluate Durham's progress toward meeting the federal government goals of reducing and ending homelessness.

According to Director Reginald J. Johnson with the Community Development Department, these funds will enable Durham service providers to help end homelessness for hundreds of Durham residents. "We continue to be grateful that the federal government partners with Durham to address homelessness, and that our community has wonderful organizations helping homeless people get back into and maintain permanent housing," Johnson said. "HUD continues to challenge us to support our highest-performing programs that are proving to be the most effective in meeting the needs of persons experiencing homelessness. We appreciate the community partnerships that are effectively ending homelessness for hundreds of people in Durham every year."

The following organizations and programs received FY2017 CoC funding:

- Housing for New Hope's Andover Apartments (permanent supportive housing for individuals): \$57,713
- Housing for New Hope's Streets to Home Projects I and II (permanent supportive housing for chronically homeless individuals and families): \$367,397
- Housing for New Hope's William Square Apartments (permanent supportive housing for homeless individuals with disabling conditions): \$58,888
- North Carolina Coalition to End Homelessness' NC Homeless Management Information Network project (Durham's HMIS): \$55,752
- Housing for New Hope's Rapid Rehousing Projects I and III (short-term rental assistance for homeless households): \$225,548
- Urban Ministries of Durham's Fresh Start project (short-term rental assistance for chronically homeless individuals) \$201,791
- Durham Housing Authority's Home Again project (permanent supportive housing) \$115,689
- Alliance Behavioral Health Care's DASH project (permanent supportive housing): \$164,632
- City of Durham Community Development Department (CoC planning): \$42,995

The City's Community Development Department serves as the Durham CoC's lead agency, staffing the collaborative effort to address homelessness and facilitating the development of the community's annual CoC grant application to HUD.

For a complete listing of the grants, visit HUD's website. For more information about Durham's Continuum of Care Program, visit the website or contact Project Manager Lloyd Schmeidler with the City's Community Development Department at (919) 560-4570, ext. 22267.

About the City of Durham Community Development Department

The Community Development Department is responsible for coordinating the City's housing resources and various housing assistance programs as well as promoting affordable housing by working with investors and community housing development organizations. The department also administers the City's entitlement programs from the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development. Guided by the City's Strategic Plan, the department helps to ensure that the City has thriving, livable neighborhoods by enhancing housing quality and affordability for Durham residents.

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